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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
December 27, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE DINGELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Holy God, the giver of our lives and the source of all hope, shine Your light on Your people. Though we walk in darkness, may we see Your great light.

For You have been bountiful in Your grace, abundant in Your mercy.

Hear our gratitude for the countless times You have given increase to this Nation. Know of our appreciation for how You have multiplied time and again this country's strength and prosperity.

Our joy is found in the freedom You have allowed us. Our wealth is founded on our diversity and the respect You have taught us to have for each other.

Establish and uphold Your sovereignty over our land and Your guidance in our lives.

May we acknowledge that all authority rests on Your shoulders, Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

O Lord of hosts, rule with justice and righteousness in our lives from this time forth and forever more.

In the strength of Your powerful name we pray. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Thursday, December 30, 2021.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, December 30, 2021, at 9 a.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-3019. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management Division, Rural Development Innovation Center, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's notice — Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Biofuel Producer Program for Fiscal Year 2021 [Docket # RBS-21-BUSINESS-0026] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3020. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management Division, Rural Development Innovation Center, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's notice — Notice of Funding Opportunity for

the Food Supply Chain Guaranteed Loan Program [Docket #: RBS-21-Business-0036] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3021. A letter from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C) Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold received December 12, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3022. A letter from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold received December 12, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3023. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Federal-State Relationship Agreements, Federal Pell Grant Program, Academic Competitiveness Grant, and National Science and Mathematics Access To Retain Talent Grant (RIN: 1840-AD46) received December 9, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC-3024. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final regulations — Federal-State Relationship Agreements, Federal Pell Grant Program, Academic Competitiveness Grant, and National Science and Mathematics Access To Retain Talent Grant (RIN: 1840-AD46) received December 9, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC-3025. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Head Start, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Vaccine and Mask Requirements to Mitigate the Spread of COVID-19 in Head Start Programs (RIN: 0970-AC90) received December 9, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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EC-3026. A letter from the Compliance Specialist, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tip Regulations Under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA); Partial Withdrawal; Correction (RIN: 1235-AA21) received December 20, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC-3027. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Trichoderma harzianum* strain T-78; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0534; FRL-9218-01-OCSP] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3028. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; 2015 Ozone NAAQS Interstate Transport Requirements [EPA-R01-OAR-2021-0580; FRL-8967-02-R1] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3029. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances (20-2.5e) [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2020-0131; FRL-7842-02-OCSP] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3030. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Kosakonia cowanii* strain SYM00028; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-

2020-0577; FRL-9216-01-OCSP] received December 14, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6348. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on the national security implications of climate change; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6349. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to award grants to establish teacher leader development programs; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6350. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require disclosures to contributors regarding recurring contributions or donations; to the Committee on House Administration.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6348.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

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## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 151: Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 2811: Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 2840: Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois and Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 3306: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 3525: Mr. VARGAS and Mr. SAN NICOLAS.

H.R. 3614: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 3800: Ms. SPEIER.

H.R. 4070: Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 4150: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. BROWN of Maryland.

H.R. 5028: Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 5432: Mrs. HARSHBARGER.

H.R. 5645: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 6069: Mrs. LURIA.

H.R. 6207: Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. BASS, Ms. WEXTON, Mr. CROW, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. PETERS, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mrs. FLETCHER, and Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 6235: Mr. GIBBS, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. GUEST.